

SOLID STREETS.

Short Paving Jobs Approved by the Council.

IMPROVEMENTS CONTEMPLATED.

The Rockford Construction Company's Work on Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth and Seventeenth Streets Well Done—First Avenue and Alleys Talked of Next—A Good Proposition.

The city council in company with Mayor Medill and City Clerk Huesing inspected the paving recently finished by the Rock Island Construction company on the short jobs on Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Sixteenth and East and West Seventeenth streets yesterday afternoon and approved of the same. Indeed, a better piece of paving is not to be found in the three cities, and the Rockford company, which has done so well in its undertakings of this kind in Rock Island, has demonstrated by the solidity, the thoroughness, neatness and rapidity with which it has done things that it has a deep interest as well as something more than business pride in what it does in Rock Island.

Talking More Paving.

While the city has about all the paving under contract for this year that it can attend to in the way of interest—38 blocks in all—a proposition has been made to continue the good work to completion in the business locality, and it can be done without involving a cent's outlay on the part of the municipality, by paying First avenue from Sixteenth to Twentieth and the alleys running east and west between Sixteenth and Twentieth and First and Third avenue. This improvement which the council looked into to some extent yesterday afternoon, would give to the business portion of the city a practically solid paved district, including all the alleys. The result would be that all the paved thoroughfares would be kept cleaner and neater, than it is now possible to keep them.

Property Holders Favor It.

A number of property holders who would be affected by this extension of paving improvements have expressed themselves as favorable to it and that the sooner it is done the better. In Davenport Front street is being paved this year. Rock Island would be likewise permanently improving its river front and providing for a good levee as far as possible by adopting these suggestions.

Where Is He?

About a week ago a man somewhat beyond middle age walked into Drossen's sample room on Second avenue one morning, and stated that owing to the crowded condition of the hotels in consequence of the dental convention he had not been able to secure lodging during the night, but had slept in a chair. He purchased a drink and then asked the privilege of using the wash room. He was accommodated, and leaving his satchel and overcoat, said he would return, left. He has not been seen since. He had considerable money about him—between \$400 and \$500—and feeling some concern at his non-appearance, Mr. Drossen notified the police last evening and an examination of his satchel revealed an outfit of first-class underwear, socks, handkerchiefs, etc., but the only thing that might lead to his identity were the initials "R. D." on some of his garments, and "W. R. D." on others, and a card of the Russell-Massengale Commission company, St. Louis.

The man put in an appearance again late this afternoon.

A Pleasant Evening.

A number of the friends of John Aster assembled at the latter's home at the head of Twentieth street last evening and spent a few very happy hours. The occasion was the receipt by Mr. Aster of his commission as justice of the peace of South Rock Island. The gentlemen brought with them a handsome oak writing desk, which was presented to him by Rev. Father Mackin on behalf of the guests. An unique feature of the evening was a mock trial before the new justice. Maj. Beardsley acted as prosecuting attorney, while H. C. Wixill argued for the defense. Justice Aster officiating with all due dignity. Later a delicious spread was served, and the occasion proved a merry one for all present.

The Opera.

The Andrews Opera company will commence a week's engagement at Davenport next Monday night. This company played in Davenport last summer and would stay longer this time, but the changes to be made in the Burtis necessitate getting at the work as soon as possible in order to have the house ready for next season. The company numbers 40 people and there are a number of strong ones among them, while the company has received additions since it was in this neighborhood a year ago, it is stated, that have greatly improved it as a whole. The repertoire is as interesting as it can be made, and it will please lovers of light and comic opera.

River Riplets.

The stage of water at Rock Island bridge at noon today was 13.20, and the temperature 62.

The Sam Atlee, Irene D. Volunteer and Verne Swain came down and the Irene D. Pilot, Verne Swain and Volunteer passed up.

LEVEL HEADED.

Governor Altgeld's Position in the Matter of Requisition Papers.

In reply to an application to Governor Altgeld for requisition papers for the return to Rock Island of Jacob Jones, who is held at Muscatine pending the authority to bring him back to Rock Island to answer the charge of perjury in swearing falsely to the age of his bride, Josie McAvoy, in securing the license to wed, State's Attorney Searle has received the following from the governor's private secretary:

SPRINGFIELD, May 15.—The governor is in receipt of yours of May 12, enclosing petition for requisition for the return of Jacob Jones, charged by complaint with the crime of perjury, committed in your county. The facts out of which this application for requisition arise seem to be these: George W. McAvoy, the person asking for the requisition and a resident of Muscatine, Ia., is the father of Josie McAvoy; Jacob Jones, the alleged fugitive and also a resident of Muscatine, Ia., procured a license to be married to Josie McAvoy in Rock Island and for that purpose went through the formality of making oath to the fact that Josie McAvoy was over 18 years old. The father now desires to have Jones prosecuted on the charge of perjury on the ground that his daughter, Josie, is not yet 18 years of age. This being the condition of things the governor has directed me to say that if Jones and Josie McAvoy were duly married under the license procured in your county, he will refuse to grant a requisition for Jones' arrest. He does not believe that the law should be invoked to encourage any petty domestic quarrels and he believes that the interests of the community, as well as those of the McAvoy family, will be best subserved by permitting Jones to remain unmolested. I return herewith papers, together with fee of \$2. Yours truly,

W. T. Dose, Private Sec'y.

The Best Possible Course.

The Union, it appears, is somewhat indignant that Governor Altgeld should decline to comply with the state's attorney's wishes in this respect. The governor, however, has taken a practical, common sense view of the matter that thinking people will uphold. In the first place the letter of Private Secretary Dose shows that the executive has a complete understanding of the case and all the attending circumstances. He has contemplated the probable outcome of proceedings on the part of the state which from the governor's own knowledge of similar cases during his term as judge where it is safe to say he had more experience with proceedings of a like nature than will ever come under our state's attorney's notice, and which as a rule result in a mere farce. The only possible gain would be a few fees for the state's attorney and the temporary gratification of the spiteful feelings of the new father-in-law, which long before the case would come to trial would have given way, nine chances out of ten, to a calmer and more sensible view of the matter. The governor has spared Mr. Jones a disgrace from which there is nothing to indicate any possible good could come.

Literary Blunders.

We all make and we all meet with many amusing literary blunders. The worst of it is that we readily forget them. Every one should keep a book of these delightful things, which please us with a sudden sense of superiority. Among misprints is knives. "Some swing on books," some run knives through their hands," said an article in The Edinburgh Review. Here every one would amend by knives or kris—knives was the real reading. In "The Monastery" Scott wrote about "nursing evil passions." This was printed "morsing," and the verb "to mors" was defended by writers in Notes and Queries.

It has lately been pointed out that in the "Surgeon's Daughter" Scott is made to say that the "naught girls perfume their voluptuous eastern domes," whereas the real reading must be "perform their voluptuous eastern dances." But we are not aware that the couplet has been corrected. In "Pendennis" a boy is said to excel in "running and pumping." This must mean "jumping," though the actual competition would have its merits. There are no ridings in Yorkshire, triding is the right word, but there is a "World Riding" in Mr. Morris' "Heimskringla."—London Saturday Review.

Trouble Caused by a Semicolon.

The substitution of a semicolon for a comma in an act which became a law in 1889 has caused a lot of trouble for the surface railroads and apparently makes necessary the passing of a healing act by the present legislature. The act, which relates to railroad crossings, is as follows: "No electric, cable or horse railroad shall hereafter be constructed across the tracks of a steam railroad at grade; nor shall any steam railroad cross any such electric, cable or horse railroad at grade, except upon application and approval by the railroad commissioners."

The preceding was approved, semicolon and all, June 11, 1889, and became a law. The result is that while steam roads can cross surface lines at will with the permission of the railroad commissioners street and electric roads are barred from crossing steam roads with or without permission.—Hartford Courant.

According to the report of the auditor of Virginia, the negroes of that state pay taxes on real estate valued at \$9,425,655, and on personal property valued at \$9,342,950.

"Our Irish Neighbors."

The howling success, "Our Irish Neighbors," turned people away at the Park yesterday. The company is by far the best that has ever appeared in this bright and sparkling "skit." There is not a dull moment during the entire performance. Everything moves with a dash, and the audience was kept in a continual uproar. The company is a large one and is composed entirely of clever comedians and vocalists; that is, comedians who are funny, and vocalists who can sing. There is a bevy of handsomely costumed ladies in the company. Their toilets are exquisite and of a very pleasing pattern. The Park will evidently be crowded at every performance and seats should be reserved in advance to avoid the rush.—Indianapolis Sentinel.

Murray and Mack appear at Harper's theatre tonight.

Married This Morning.

At St. Mary's Catholic church, at 9 o'clock this morning, occurred the marriage of Joseph F. Neufeld and Miss Mary Nold. Rev. Father Kopf officiating. The couple was attended by Miss Adeline Neufeld, sister of the groom, and Valentine Nold, brother of the bride. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal party were driven to the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Mary Nold, Fifth avenue and Seventh street, where the happy event was appropriately celebrated. The groom is a carpenter and well known in the city, and like the bride, has many friends in the city who will join in wishing them a happy and prosperous journey through life. They will make their home in the city.

Obnoxious Rule.

Manager Huntton, of the telephone exchange, informs THE ARGUS that the introduction of the number system in calling up the central office is not intended to be in the least sense arbitrary, nor does the company propose to be unreasonable in requiring its enforcement, where it is regarded as unsatisfactory. The company will not decline to accommodate its patrons where they refuse to adhere to the plan of calling by numbers, though holding that it is more desirable that the rule be observed, and hence the request that it be complied with. THE ARGUS may add that for its own part it considers the rule a nuisance and an abomination.

The Rock File Idea.

The Rock Island city council has decided to follow Davenport's example and provide a rock pile for the tramps that happen along that way. There were times last winter when the lockup at Rock Island contained 30 or 40 tramps, and the city is troubled with them right along. A member of that profession will go a long distance out of his way to avoid Davenport, especially if he has ever manufactured macadam under the management of Chief Kessler.—Davenport Tribune.

Died on the Way Home.

William Wilson, of Edinburgh, Ill., died at the Harper house at 5:30 yesterday afternoon. Accompanied by James McDonald, also of Edinburgh, and J. W. Lillis, of Davenport, he came over from the latter city where he had been treated for consumption, just before noon expecting to leave for home on the afternoon train, on the Burlington, but he sank rapidly during the afternoon and died as stated. The body was taken in charge by Undertaker Knox, and shipped south last night.

Police Points.

Officer Frederick Ohlweiler went on duty on the upper beat last night, succeeding Charles Moody.

The case of Wesley Reddig and Mrs. John Balliet which was continued from yesterday, came up in Magistrate Schroeder's court for hearing today. The husband, who had preferred the charges, did not appear, and the case was dismissed.

Muscatine Excited Again.

Muscatine is stirred with fresh excitement by the discovery of a keg of powder in a pile of wood near the residence of Joseph Bennett, an active prohibitionist. Mr. Kessinger, one of the prohibitionists, whose residence was blown up, received an anonymous note yesterday warning him to hasten his contemplated departure from the city.

Rare Relics.

Dr. S. C. Plummer, who has returned from his trip to southern battlefields brought with him a limb in which several of the leaden missiles of the stormy times are imbedded and also a cane which he cut for Major Beardsley within a few feet of where the latter was wounded at Perigo Gap, Ga. The major is very proud of the souvenir.

I have too many tubular lanterns.

I offer this week a first class side spring O tubular lantern complete, for 40 cents; a top lift lantern, (some like them better) for 45 cents; a neat brass plated lantern, top lift, for 55 cents.

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" Calf " " "	3.00 to 2.40
Women's Cloth Top Pat. Trim	4.00 to 3.00
" Welt and Hand Turn	3.50 to 2.60
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